

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

In re:

FRANCHISE GROUP, INC., *et al.*,¹

Debtors.

Chapter 11

Case No. 24-12480 (LSS)

(Jointly Administered)

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE

I, James Roy, depose and say that I am employed by Kroll Restructuring Administration LLC (“**Kroll**”), the claims and noticing agent for the Debtors in the above-captioned chapter 11 cases.

On January 22, 2025, at my direction and under my supervision, employees of Kroll caused the following documents to be served via Overnight Mail and Email on 30X30 34th Street Lubbock Partners LLC (ADRID: 29900294), c/o NetCo Investments, Inc., Attn: Ray Bayat, 1800 Preston Park Blvd. Suite 104, Plano, TX 75093, ray@netcoinvestments.com:

- Notice of Chapter 11 Bankruptcy Case [Docket No. 191]
- Notice of Deadline for the Filing of Proofs of Claim, Including for Claims Asserted Under Section 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code [Docket No. 562] (the “**Bar Date Notice**”)
- Proof of Claim Form, a blank copy of which is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**

¹ The Debtors in these Chapter 11 Cases, along with the last four digits of their U.S. federal tax identification numbers, to the extent applicable, are Franchise Group, Inc. (1876), Freedom VCM Holdings, LLC (1225), Freedom VCM Interco Holdings, Inc. (2436), B. Riley Receivables II, LLC (4066), Freedom VCM Receivables, Inc. (0028), Freedom VCM Interco, Inc. (3661), Freedom VCM, Inc. (3091), Franchise Group New Holdco, LLC (0444), American Freight FFO, LLC (5743), Franchise Group Acquisition TM, LLC (3068), Franchise Group Intermediate Holdco, LLC (1587), Franchise Group Intermediate L, LLC (9486), Franchise Group Newco Intermediate AF, LLC (8288), American Freight Group, LLC (2066), American Freight Holdings, LLC (8271), American Freight, LLC (5940), American Freight Management Company, LLC (1215), Franchise Group Intermediate S, LLC (5408), Franchise Group Newco S, LLC (1814), American Freight Franchising, LLC (1353), Home and Appliance Outlet, LLC (n/a), American Freight Outlet Stores, LLC (9573), American Freight Franchisor, LLC (2123), Franchise Group Intermediate B, LLC (7836), Buddy’s Newco, LLC (5404), Buddy’s Franchising and Licensing, LLC (9968), Franchise Group Intermediate V, LLC (5958), Franchise Group Newco V, LLC (9746), Franchise Group Intermediate BHF, LLC (8260); Franchise Group Newco BHF, LLC (4123); Valor Acquisition, LLC (3490), Vitamin Shoppe Industries LLC (3785), Vitamin Shoppe Global, LLC (1168), Vitamin Shoppe Mariner, LLC (6298), Vitamin Shoppe Procurement Services, LLC (8021), Vitamin Shoppe Franchising, LLC (8271), Vitamin Shoppe Florida, LLC (6590), Betancourt Sports Nutrition, LLC (0470), Franchise Group Intermediate PSP, LLC (5965), Franchise Group Newco PSP, LLC (2323), PSP Midco, LLC (6507), Pet Supplies “Plus”, LLC (5852), PSP Group, LLC (5944), PSP Service Newco, LLC (6414), WNW Franchising, LLC (9398), WNW Stores, LLC (n/a), PSP Stores, LLC (9049), PSP Franchising, LLC (4978), PSP Subco, LLC (6489), PSP Distribution, LLC (5242), Franchise Group Intermediate SL, LLC (2695), Franchise Group Newco SL, LLC (7697), and Educate, Inc. (5722). The Debtors’ headquarters is located at 109 Innovation Court, Suite J, Delaware, Ohio 43015.

On January 22, 2025, at my direction and under my supervision, employees of Kroll caused the Bar Date Notice and a Proof of Claim Form to be served via Overnight Mail on Guillermo Nieves Serrano (ADRID: 29900903), Attn: Joseph Perea, 1776 N. Pine Island Rd #224, Plantation, FL 33322.

Dated: January 31, 2025

/s/ James Roy
James Roy

State of New York
County of New York

Subscribed and sworn (or affirmed) to me on January 31, 2025, by James Roy, proved to me on the bases of satisfactory evidence to be the person who executed this affidavit

/s/ OLEG BITMAN
Notary Public, State of New York
No. 01BI6339574
Qualified in New York County
Commission Expires April 4, 2028

Exhibit A

United States Bankruptcy Court, District of Delaware

Fill in this information to identify the case (Select only one Debtor per claim form):

Franchise Group, Inc. (Case No. 24-12480)	Franchise Group Intermediate PSP, LLC (Case No. 24-12500)	Pet Supplies "Plus", LLC (Case No. 24-12519)
American Freight FFO, LLC (Case No. 24-12531)	Franchise Group Intermediate S, LLC (Case No. 24-12504)	PSP Distribution, LLC (Case No. 24-12526)
American Freight Franchising, LLC (Case No. 24-12483)	Franchise Group Intermediate SL, LLC (Case No. 24-12508)	PSP Franchising, LLC (Case No. 24-12481)
American Freight Franchisor, LLC (Case No. 24-12487)	Franchise Group Intermediate V, LLC (Case No. 24-12511)	PSP Group, LLC (Case No. 24-12482)
American Freight Group, LLC (Case No. 24-12490)	Franchise Group New Holdco, LLC (Case No. 24-12528)	PSP Midco, LLC (Case No. 24-12488)
American Freight Holdings, LLC (Case No. 24-12494)	Franchise Group Newco BHF, LLC (Case No. 24-12515)	PSP Service Newco, LLC (Case No. 24-12493)
American Freight Management Company, LLC (Case No. 24-12498)	Franchise Group Newco Intermediate AF, LLC (Case No. 24-12518)	PSP Stores, LLC (Case No. 24-12497)
American Freight Outlet Stores, LLC (Case No. 24-12503)	Franchise Group Newco PSP, LLC (Case No. 24-12522)	PSP Subco, LLC (Case No. 24-12501)
American Freight, LLC (Case No. 24-12527)	Franchise Group Newco S, LLC (Case No. 24-12484)	Valor Acquisition, LLC (Case No. 24-12505)
Betancourt Sports Nutrition, LLC (Case No. 24-12507)	Franchise Group Newco SL, LLC (Case No. 24-12485)	Vitamin Shoppe Florida, LLC (Case No. 24-12510)
Buddy's Franchising and Licensing LLC (Case No. 24-12512)	Franchise Group Newco V, LLC (Case No. 24-12489)	Vitamin Shoppe Franchising, LLC (Case No. 24-12513)
Buddy's Newco, LLC (Case No. 24-12516)	Freedom Receivables II, LLC (Case No. 24-12492)	Vitamin Shoppe Global, LLC (Case No. 24-12517)
Educate, Inc. (Case No. 24-12520)	Freedom VCM Holdings, LLC (Case No. 24-12496)	Vitamin Shoppe Industries LLC (Case No. 24-12521)
Franchise Group Acquisition TM, LLC (Case No. 24-12524)	Freedom VCM Interco Holdings, Inc. (Case No. 24-12499)	Vitamin Shoppe Mariner, LLC (Case No. 24-12523)
Franchise Group Intermediate B, LLC (Case No. 24-12529)	Freedom VCM Interco, Inc. (Case No. 24-12502)	Vitamin Shoppe Procurement Services, LLC (Case No. 24-12532)
Franchise Group Intermediate BHF, LLC (Case No. 24-12486)	Freedom VCM Receivables, Inc. (Case No. 24-12506)	WNW Franchising, LLC (Case No. 24-12525)
Franchise Group Intermediate Holdco, LLC (Case No. 24-12491)	Freedom VCM, Inc. (Case No. 24-12509)	WNW Stores, LLC (Case No. 24-12530)
Franchise Group Intermediate L, LLC (Case No. 24-12495)	Home & Appliance Outlet, LLC (Case No. 24-12514)	

Modified Official Form 410**Proof of Claim**

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Read the instructions before filling out this form. This form is for making a claim for payment in a bankruptcy case. Do not use this form to make a request for payment of an administrative expense (other than a claim entitled to priority under 11 U.S.C. § 503(b)(9)). Make such a request according to 11 U.S.C. § 503.

Filers must leave out or redact information that is entitled to privacy on this form or on any attached documents. Attach redacted copies of any documents that support the claim, such as promissory notes, purchase orders, invoices, itemized statements of running accounts, contracts, judgments, mortgages, and security agreements. **Do not send original documents**; they may be destroyed after scanning. If the documents are not available, explain in an attachment.

A person who files a fraudulent claim could be fined up to \$500,000, imprisoned for up to 5 years, or both. 18 U.S.C. §§ 152, 157, and 3571.

Fill in all the information about the claim as of the date the case was filed. That date is on the notice of bankruptcy (Form 309) that you received.

Part 1: Identify the Claim	
<p>1. Who is the current creditor?</p> <p>Name of the current creditor (the person or entity to be paid for this claim) _____</p> <p>Other names the creditor used with the debtor _____</p>	
<p>2. Has this claim been acquired from someone else?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes. From whom? _____</p>	

3. Where should notices and payments to the creditor be sent? Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure (FRBP) 2002(g)	Where should notices to the creditor be sent?			Where should payments to the creditor be sent? (if different)		
	Name _____		Name _____			
	Number _____	Street _____	Number _____	Street _____		
	City _____	State _____	ZIP Code _____	City _____	State _____	ZIP Code _____
	Contact phone _____		Contact phone _____			
	Contact email _____		Contact email _____			
4. Does this claim amend one already filed?	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes. Claim number on court claims registry (if known) _____			Filed on _____ MM / DD / YYYY		
5. Do you know if anyone else has filed a proof of claim for this claim?	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes. Who made the earlier filing? _____					

Part 2: Give Information About the Claim as of the Date the Case Was Filed

6. Do you have any number you use to identify the debtor?	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes. Last 4 digits of the debtor's account or any number you use to identify the debtor: _____	
7. How much is the claim?	\$ _____	Does this amount include interest or other charges?
		<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes. Attach statement itemizing interest, fees, expenses, or other charges required by Bankruptcy Rule 3001(c)(2)(A).
8. What is the basis of the claim?	Examples: Goods sold, money loaned, lease, services performed, personal injury or wrongful death, or credit card. Attach redacted copies of any documents supporting the claim required by Bankruptcy Rule 3001(c). Limit disclosing information that is entitled to privacy, such as health care information. _____	
9. Is all or part of the claim secured?	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes. The claim is secured by a lien on property. Nature of property: <input type="checkbox"/> Real estate. If the claim is secured by the debtor's principal residence, file a <i>Mortgage Proof of Claim Attachment</i> (Official Form 410-A) with this <i>Proof of Claim</i> . <input type="checkbox"/> Motor vehicle <input type="checkbox"/> Other. Describe: _____	
	Basis for perfection: _____ Attach redacted copies of documents, if any, that show evidence of perfection of a security interest (for example, a mortgage, lien, certificate of title, financing statement, or other document that shows the lien has been filed or recorded.)	
	Value of property: \$ _____	
	Amount of the claim that is secured: \$ _____	
	Amount of the claim that is unsecured: \$ _____ (The sum of the secured and unsecured amounts should match the amount in line 7.)	
	Amount necessary to cure any default as of the date of the petition: \$ _____	
	Annual Interest Rate (when case was filed) _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> Fixed <input type="checkbox"/> Variable	

10. Is this claim based on a lease?	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes. Amount necessary to cure any default as of the date of the petition. \$ _____						
11. Is this claim subject to a right of setoff?	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes. Identify the property: _____						
12. Is all or part of the claim entitled to priority under 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)?	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Amount entitled to priority						
<p>A claim may be partly priority and partly nonpriority. For example, in some categories, the law limits the amount entitled to priority.</p>								
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes. Check one: <table> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Domestic support obligations (including alimony and child support) under 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(1)(A) or (a)(1)(B). \$ _____</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Up to \$3,350 of deposits toward purchase, lease, or rental of property or services for personal, family, or household use. 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(7). \$ _____</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Wages, salaries, or commissions (up to \$15,150) earned within 180 days before the bankruptcy petition is filed or the debtor's business ends, whichever is earlier. 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(4). \$ _____</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Taxes or penalties owed to governmental units. 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(8). \$ _____</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Contributions to an employee benefit plan. 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(5). \$ _____</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Other. Specify subsection of 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)() that applies. \$ _____</td> </tr> </table>			<input type="checkbox"/> Domestic support obligations (including alimony and child support) under 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(1)(A) or (a)(1)(B). \$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Up to \$3,350 of deposits toward purchase, lease, or rental of property or services for personal, family, or household use. 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(7). \$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Wages, salaries, or commissions (up to \$15,150) earned within 180 days before the bankruptcy petition is filed or the debtor's business ends, whichever is earlier. 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(4). \$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Taxes or penalties owed to governmental units. 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(8). \$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Contributions to an employee benefit plan. 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(5). \$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Other. Specify subsection of 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)() that applies. \$ _____
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<input type="checkbox"/> Other. Specify subsection of 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)() that applies. \$ _____								
13. Is all or part of the claim entitled to administrative priority pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 503(b)(9)?	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes. Indicate the amount of your claim arising from the value of any goods received by the Debtor within 20 days before the date of commencement of the above case, in which the goods have been sold to the Debtor in the ordinary course of such Debtor's business. Attach documentation supporting such claim. \$ _____						

Part 3: Sign Below

The person completing this proof of claim must sign and date it.
FRBP 9011(b).

If you file this claim electronically, FRBP 5005(a)(2) authorizes courts to establish local rules specifying what a signature is.

A person who files a fraudulent claim could be fined up to \$500,000, imprisoned for up to 5 years, or both.
18 U.S.C. §§ 152, 157, and 3571.

Check the appropriate box:

- I am the creditor.
- I am the creditor's attorney or authorized agent.
- I am the trustee, or the debtor, or their authorized agent. Bankruptcy Rule 3004.
- I am a guarantor, surety, endorser, or other codebtor. Bankruptcy Rule 3005.

I understand that an authorized signature on this *Proof of Claim* serves as an acknowledgment that when calculating the amount of the claim, the creditor gave the debtor credit for any payments received toward the debt.

I have examined the information in this *Proof of Claim* and have a reasonable belief that the information is true and correct.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on date _____
 MM / DD / YYYY

Signature _____

Name of the person who is completing and signing this claim:

Name	First name	Middle name	Last name
Title			
Company	Identify the corporate servicer as the company if the authorized agent is a servicer.		
Address	Number	Street	
		City	State ZIP Code
Contact phone	Email		_____

Instructions for Proof of Claim

United States Bankruptcy Court

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These instructions and definitions generally explain the law. In certain circumstances, such as bankruptcy cases that debtors do not file voluntarily, exceptions to these general rules may apply. You should consider obtaining the advice of an attorney, especially if you are unfamiliar with the bankruptcy process and privacy regulations.

A person who files a fraudulent claim could be fined up to \$500,000, imprisoned for up to 5 years, or both.
18 U.S.C. §§ 152, 157 and 3571.

How to fill out this form

- **Fill in all of the information about the claim as of the date the case was filed.**
- **Fill in the caption at the top of the form.**
- **If the claim has been acquired from someone else, then state the identity of the last party** who owned the claim or was the holder of the claim and who transferred it to you before the initial claim was filed.
- **Attach any supporting documents to this form.**
Attach redacted copies of any documents that show that the debt exists, a lien secures the debt, or both. (See the definition of *redaction* on the next page.)

Also attach redacted copies of any documents that show perfection of any security interest or any assignments or transfers of the debt. In addition to the documents, a summary may be added. Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure (called “Bankruptcy Rule”) 3001(c) and (d).
- **Do not attach original documents because attachments may be destroyed after scanning.**
- **If the claim is based on delivering health care goods or services, do not disclose confidential health care information. Leave out or redact confidential information both in the claim and in the attached documents.**
- **A Proof of Claim form and any attached documents must show only the last 4 digits of any social security number, individual's tax identification number, or financial account number, and only the year of any person's date of birth.** See Bankruptcy Rule 9037.

- **For a minor child, fill in only the child's initials and the full name and address of the child's parent or guardian.** For example, write *A.B., a minor child (John Doe, parent, 123 Main St., City, State)*. See Bankruptcy Rule 9037.

Confirmation that the claim has been filed

To receive confirmation that the claim has been filed, enclose a stamped self-addressed envelope and a copy of this form. You may view a list of filed claims in this case by visiting the Claims and Noticing Agent's website at <https://cases.ra.kroll.com/FRG>.

Understand the terms used in this form

Administrative expense: Generally, an expense that arises after a bankruptcy case is filed in connection with operating, liquidating, or distributing the bankruptcy estate.
11 U.S.C. § 503.

Claim: A creditor's right to receive payment for a debt that the debtor owed on the date the debtor filed for bankruptcy. 11 U.S.C. §101 (5). A claim may be secured or unsecured.

Claim Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 503(b)(9): A claim arising from the value of any goods received by the Debtor within 20 days before the date of commencement of the above case, in which the goods have been sold to the Debtor in the ordinary course of the Debtor's business. Attach documentation supporting such claim.

Creditor: A person, corporation, or other entity to whom a debtor owes a debt that was incurred on or before the date the debtor filed for bankruptcy. 11 U.S.C. § 101 (10).

Debtor: A person, corporation, or other entity who is in bankruptcy. Use the debtor's name and case number as shown in the bankruptcy notice you received. 11 U.S.C. § 101 (13).

Evidence of perfection: Evidence of perfection of a security interest may include documents showing that a security interest has been filed or recorded, such as a mortgage, lien, certificate of title, or financing statement.

Information that is entitled to privacy: A *Proof of Claim* form and any attached documents must show only the last 4 digits of any social security number, an individual's tax identification number, or a financial account number, only the initials of a minor's name, and only the year of any person's date of birth. If a claim is based on delivering health care goods or services, limit the disclosure of the goods or services to avoid embarrassment or disclosure of confidential health care information. You may later be required to give more information if the trustee or someone else in interest objects to the claim.

Priority claim: A claim within a category of unsecured claims that is entitled to priority under 11 U.S.C. § 507(a). These claims are paid from the available money or property in a bankruptcy case before other unsecured claims are paid. Common priority unsecured claims include alimony, child support, taxes, and certain unpaid wages.

Proof of claim: A form that shows the amount of debt the debtor owed to a creditor on the date of the bankruptcy filing. The form must be filed in the district where the case is pending.

Redaction of information: Masking, editing out, or deleting certain information to protect privacy. Filers must redact or leave out information entitled to **privacy** on the *Proof of Claim* form and any attached documents.

Secured claim under 11 U.S.C. § 506(a): A claim backed by a lien on particular property of the debtor. A claim is secured to the extent that a creditor has the right to be paid from the property before other creditors are paid. The amount of a secured claim usually cannot be more than the value of the particular property on which the creditor has a lien. Any amount owed to a creditor that is more than the value of the property normally may be an unsecured claim. But exceptions exist; for example, see 11 U.S.C. § 1322(b) and the final sentence of § 1325(a).

Examples of liens on property include a mortgage on real estate or a security interest in a car. A lien may be voluntarily granted by a debtor or may be obtained through a court proceeding. In some states, a court judgment may be a lien.

Setoff: Occurs when a creditor pays itself with money belonging to the debtor that it is holding, or by canceling a debt it owes to the debtor.

Unsecured claim: A claim that does not meet the requirements of a secured claim. A claim may be unsecured in part to the extent that the amount of the claim is more than the value of the property on which a creditor has a lien.

Offers to purchase a claim

Certain entities purchase claims for an amount that is less than the face value of the claims. These entities may contact creditors offering to purchase their claims. Some written communications from these entities may easily be confused with official court documentation or communications from the debtor. These entities do not represent the bankruptcy court, the bankruptcy trustee, or the debtor. A creditor has no obligation to sell its claim. However, if a creditor decides to sell its claim, any transfer of that claim is subject to Bankruptcy Rule 3001(e), any provisions of the Bankruptcy Code (11 U.S.C. § 101 et seq.) that apply, and any orders of the bankruptcy court that apply.

Please send completed Proof(s) of Claim to:

If by first class mail:
Franchise Group, Inc. Claims Processing Center
c/o Kroll Restructuring Administration LLC
Grand Central Station, PO Box 4850
New York, NY 10163-4850

If by overnight courier or hand delivery:
Franchise Group, Inc. Claims Processing Center
c/o Kroll Restructuring Administration LLC
850 Third Avenue, Suite 412
Brooklyn, NY 11232

You may also file your claim electronically at
<https://cases.ra.kroll.com/FRG/EPOC-Index>.

Do not file these instructions with your form